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Subject:  
Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site  
Time-Critical Removal Action – Former Plainwell Impoundment  
Monthly Report (March 2009)

Dear Mike:

Attached is the 25<sup>th</sup> monthly progress report for the Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site Time-Critical Removal Action (TCRA). This progress report is submitted in accordance with Section 19A of the February 2007 Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent (AOC) for Removal Action (Docket No. V-W-07-C-863).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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**MONTHLY REPORT FOR THE ALLIED PAPER, INC./PORTAGE CREEK/  
KALAMAZOO RIVER SUPERFUND SITE  
TIME-CRITICAL REMOVAL ACTION – FORMER PLAINWELL IMPOUNDMENT**

**REPORT #25, MARCH 2009**

**PREPARED BY ARCADIS  
APRIL 15, 2009**

**ON BEHALF OF THE KALAMAZOO RIVER STUDY GROUP**

**SUBMITTED TO**

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**Monthly Report for the Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/  
Kalamazoo River Superfund Site TCRA – Former Plainwell Impoundment**

**REPORT #25, APRIL 2009**

**Significant Developments and Activities During the Period**

- On March 5, the Kalamazoo River Study Group (KRSG) submitted the *81<sup>st</sup> Weekly Construction Report for the Plainwell TCRA* to United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ).
- On March 5, the KRSG informed USEPA and MDEQ that weekly reports would no longer be submitted because major construction activities have been completed.
- On March 5, the KRSG submitted copies of the *Monthly Report for the Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site TCRA* for January 2008 through October 2008 to the START contractor for USEPA.
- On March 9, the KRSG notified the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) that all river closure signs and buoys had been removed.
- On March 12, MDNR issued the Press Release titled *Portion of Kalamazoo River Reopened to Public Use*.
- On March 16, the KRSG submitted the *24<sup>th</sup> Monthly Report for the Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site TCRA* for February 2009 to USEPA.
- On March 20, the USEPA submitted the cost recovery package to the KRSG. The KRSG received the package on March 24.
- On March 27, the KRSG submitted removal area figures to the START contractor for USEPA. This information was originally submitted to USEPA in December 2007 and MDEQ in January 2008.

**Data Collected and Field Activities Conducted During the Period**

- Field activities were not conducted in March.

**Laboratory Data Received During the Period**

- No analytical data were received during March.
- The KRSG is not awaiting analytical results.

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**Issues Encountered and Actions Taken**

- None

**Developments Anticipated During the Next Reporting Period**

- No activities are scheduled during the weeks of April 1, 6, 13, or 20.
- Restoration activities in Removal Areas 13A and 13B are scheduled to begin during the week of April 27.
- The KRSG will continue to submit copies of analytical data, if necessary, from TCRA sampling activities to USEPA in April.